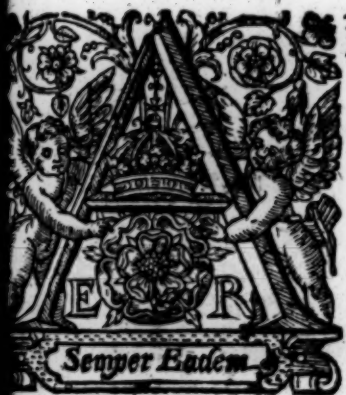


A PROCLAMATION.

Of both Houses of Parliament,

For Proclaiming of his *Majesty* King of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c.



Although it can no way be doubted, but that his *Majesties* Right and Title to his Crowns and Kingdoms, is, and Was every way completed by the death of his most Royal Father of Glorious Memory, Without the Ceremony or Solemnity of a Proclamation; Yet since Proclamations in such Cases have been alwaies used, to the end that all good Subjects might upon this occasion testifie their duty and respects; And since the Armed Violence, and other the Calamities of these many years last past, have hitherto deprived Us of any such opportunity, wherein Wee might express Our Loyalty and Allegiance to his *Majesty*. Wee therefore the Lords and Commons now assembled in Parliament, together with the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, and other Freemen of his Kingdom now present, do, according to Our Duty and Allegiance, heartily, joyfully and unanimously Acknowledge and Proclaim, That immediately upon the decease of Our late Sovereign Lord King Charles, the Imperial Crown of the Realm of England, and of all the Kingdoms, Dominions, and Rights belonging to the same, did by Inherent Birth-right, and lawfull and undoubted Succession, descend and come to his most Excellent *Majesty* Charles the Second, as being Lineally, Justly, and Lawfully next Heir of the Blood Royal of this Realm; And that by the Goodness and Providence of Almighty God, hee is of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, the most Potent, Mighty, and undoubted King, Defender of the Faith, &c. And thereunto Wee most humbly and faithfully do submit and oblige our Selves, our Heirs and Posterities for ever. Dated the 8th day of May, 1660.

Die Martis, May 8. 1660.

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament Assembled, That this Proclamation be forthwith Printed and Published.

JO. BROWNE, Cleric. *Parliamentorum*.